

GENERAL RESOURCE REFERENCES

INTRODUCTION

This section lists references and other information for use in understanding the field office service area or in making decisions about resource use and management systems. The actual references listed are to be filed to the extent possible in the same location as the FOTG. References kept in other locations will be cross-referenced. References that are Web-based will be identified by their URL address. Other references that lack a URL are considered printed. Several of these (e.g. New York Plant Information Sheets) are not available electronically through the World Wide Web or word processing media. They will be added in the future.

The following are the subsections of the General References portion of Section I:

REFERENCE LISTS

These include applicable discipline handbooks, manuals, and reports commonly used in resource conservation planning and implementation activities such as:

- National Planning Procedures Handbook
- New York Drainage Guide,
- PLANTS database,
- National Register of Historic Places and other regional cultural resources lists,
- Published Soil Surveys,
- Wild and Scenic Rivers information,
- Natural Resource Inventory reports
- Documentation Computer Models, and
- Products from NRCS Institutes (e.g. Social Science Papers and Information Sheets)

COST DATA

General reference data on costs, such as cost lists for practice components and other references to economic handbooks, are located in this subsection.

MAPS

Maps useful to conservation planning, such as water quality problem areas, precipitation, general soil maps, and political boundaries maps are included here or appropriately referenced.

EROSION PREDICTION AND OTHER RESOURCE ASSESSMENT TOOLS

Guidance, data, and NRCS approved techniques for predicting soil erosion are included in this subsection or are appropriately referenced. Also included is other resource assessment methods such as instructions for estimating erosion losses from concentrated flow channels and streambanks.

LAWS

A list of the most commonly applicable Federal and State laws, ordinances, or regulations that impact Conservation Management System development is presented under this heading.